

INCITE awards at ALCF

Based on their potential for breakthroughs in science and engineering research, 29 of these projects have been awarded 732 million hours of computing time at Argonne's Leadership Computing Facility (ALCF) as part of the DOE's INCITE program.

The ALCF is home to DOE's Intrepid, a 40-rack IBM Blue Gene/P capable of a peak-performance of 557 Teraflops (557 trillion calculations per second). Intrepid features a low-power system-on-a-chip architecture, reducing power demands and lowering operating costs by using one-third as much electricity as other machines of comparable size.

As part of the INCITE program, the ALCF provides indepth expertise and assistance in using ALCF systems and optimizing applications to help researchers from all different scientific disciplines to scale successfully to an unprecedented number of processors to solve some of our nation's most pressing technology challenges. This year's projects include:

Biological Sciences

Multiscale Blood Flow Simulations

Principal Investigator: George Karniadakis, Brown University Intrepid Allocation: 50,000,000 Hours

Protein-Ligand Interaction Simulations and Analysis

Principal Investigator: T. Andrew Binkowski, Argonne

National Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 20,000,000 Hours

Simulation and Modeling of Membranes Interactions with Unstructured Proteins and Computational Design of Membrane Channels for Absorption of Specified Ions

Principal Investigator: Igor Tsigelny, University of California--

San Diego

Intrepid Allocation: 4,000,000 Hours

Chemistry

Towards Breakthroughs in Protein Structure Calculation and Design

Principal Investigator: David Baker, University of Washington Intrepid Allocation: 30,000,000 Hours

Simulations of Deflagration-to-Detonation Transition in Reactive Gases

Principal Investigator: Alexei Khokhlov, University of Chicago Intrepid Allocation: 18,000,000 Hours

Potential Energy Surfaces for Simulating Complex Chemical Processes

Principal Investigator: Donald Truhlar, University of

Minnesota

Intrepid Allocation: 15,000,000 Hours

Large Eddy Simulation of Two-phase Flow Combustion in Gas Turbines

Principal Investigator: Thierry Poinsot, European Center for Research and Advanced Training in Scientific Computation

Intrepid Allocation: 10,000,000 Hours

Ab Initio Dynamical Simulations for the Prediction of Bulk Properties

Principal Investigator: Theresa Windus, Iowa State University Intrepid Allocation: 10,000,000 Hours

Computer Science

Performance Evaluation and Analysis Consortium End Station

Principal Investigator: Patrick Worley, Oak Ridge National

Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 10,000,000 Hours

Scalable System Software for Performance and Productivity

Principal Investigator: Ewing Lusk, Argonne National

Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 5,000,000 Hours

Trace Collection for Simulation-driven Co-design of Exascale Platforms and Codes

Principal Investigator: David Evensky, Sandia National

Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 5,000,000 Hours

Earth Science

Climate-Science Computational Development Team: The Climate End Station II

Principal Investigator: Warren Washington, National Center

for Atmospheric Research

Intrepid Allocation: 40,000,000 Hours

Numerical Study of Multiscale Coupling in Low-Aspect Ratio Rotating Stratified Turbulence

Principal Investigator: Susan Kurien, Los Alamos National

Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 35,000,000 Hours

Deterministic Simulations of Large Regional Earthquakes at Frequencies up to 4Hz

Principal Investigator: Thomas Jordan, University of

Southern California

Intrepid Allocation: 10,000,000 Hours

Energy Technologies

Advanced Reactor Thermal Hydraulic Modeling

Principal Investigator: Paul Fischer, Argonne National

Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 25,000,000 Hours

Large Eddy Simulation for Green Energy and Propulsion Systems

Principal Investigator: Umesh Paliath, GE Global Research

Intrepid Allocation: 20,000,000 Hours

Understanding the Ultimate Battery Chemistry: Rechargeable Lithium/Air

Principal Investigator: Jack Wells, Oak Ridge National

Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 15,000,000 Hours

Engineering

Detached-Eddy Simulations and Noise Predictions for Tandem Cylinders

Principal Investigator: Philippe Spalart, Boeing

Intrepid Allocation: 45,000,000 Hours

Simulation of High Reynolds Number Turbulent Boundary Layers

Principal Investigator: Robert Moser, University of Texas at

Austin

Intrepid Allocation: 40,000,000 Hours

Turbulent Multi-material Mixing in the Richtmyer-Meshkov Instability

Principal Investigator: Sanjiva Lele, Stanford University

Intrepid Allocation: 12,000,000 Hours

Uncertainty Quantification for Turbulent Mixing

Principal Investigator: James Glimm, State University of

New York, Stony Brook

Intrepid Allocation: 10,000,000 Hours

Materials Science

Petascale Simulations of Stress Corrosion Cracking

Principal Investigator: Priya Vashishta, University of

Southern California

Intrepid Allocation: 45,000,000 Hours

High-Fidelity Simulation of Complex Suspension Flow for Practical Rheometry

Principal Investigator: William George, National Institutes of

Standards and Technology

Intrepid Allocation: 25,000,000 Hours

Probing the Non-scalable Nano Regime in Catalytic Nanoparticles with Electronic Structure Calculations

Principal Investigator: Jeffrey Greeley, Argonne National

Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 15,000,000 Hours

Vibrational Spectroscopy of Liquid Mixtures and Solid/ Liquid Interfaces

Principal Investigator: Giulia Galli, University of California--

Davis

Intrepid Allocation: 15,000,000 Hours

Physics

Study of Buoyancy-driven Turbulent Nuclear Burning and Validation of Type Ia Supernova Models

Principal Investigator: Donald Lamb, The University of

Chicago

Intrepid Allocation: 80,000,000 Hours

Lattice QCD

Principal Investigator: Paul Mackenzie, Fermi National

Accelerator Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 50,000,000 Hours

Simulations of Laser-plasma Interactions in Targets for the National Ignition Facility and Beyond

Principal Investigator: Denise Hinkel, Lawrence Livermore

National Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 50,000,000 Hours

Nuclear Structure and Nuclear Reactions

Principal Investigator: James Vary, Iowa State University

Intrepid Allocation: 15,000,000 Hours

Advanced Simulations of Plasma Microturbulence at the Petascale and Beyond

Principal Investigator: William Tang, Princeton Plasma

Physics Laboratory

Intrepid Allocation: 8,000,000 Hours

This year's allocations represent the largest amount of supercomputing time ever awarded under the INCITE program, reflecting both the growing sophistication of the field of computer modeling and simulation and the rapid expansion of supercomputing capabilities at DOE National Laboratories in recent years.

The allocations were awarded on a competitive basis under the INCITE program. The program, open to all scientists, is managed by the DOE Leadership Computing Facilities at the department's Argonne and Oak Ridge National Laboratories, which host some of the world's fastest supercomputers. Over the past 30 years, the Department of Energy's (DOE) supercomputing program has played an increasingly important role in scientific research by allowing scientists to

create more accurate models of complex processes, simulate problems once thought to be impossible, and to analyze the increasing amount of data generated by experiments.

The ALCF is dedicated to large-scale computation and builds on Argonne's strengths in high-performance computing software, advanced hardware architectures and applications expertise. Argonne is also collaborating with several institutions on developing the next generation of hardware and software for supercomputers. Called "exascale computers," they will be 1000 times faster than current machines today, performing a quintillion, or a billion billion, calculations every second.

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